

## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** Short.mp4

**Other known title(s):** Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 2000088.004

**Medium:** Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 05 May 2020

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 05 May 2020

### Summary of reasons for decision:

The image is a montage of video stills showing a teenaged boy performing a sexual act. It is classified as objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The image is clearly intended to appeal to people with a sexual interest in teenage boys. The availability of such material encourages the creation or reinforcement of this sexual interest. The classification of the publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.